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APPLICANTS: ROGER BUDDE ET AL. - 1

FOR: ACTUATING DRIVES FOR VALVE DRIVES HAVING A VARIABLY  
ADJUSTABLE STROKE, FOR VALVES OF INTERNAL  
COMBUSTION ENGINES

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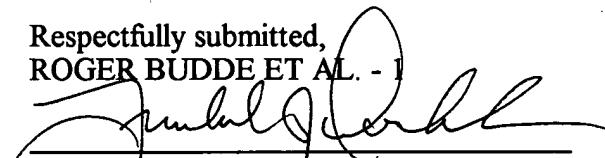
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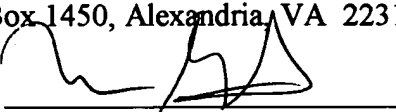
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	AR		"Variable Ventilsteuerung" [Variable Valve Control]/ Stefan Pischinger; expert- Verlag 2002; ISBN 3-8169-2119-1; p. 84, Figure 6.				
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